FISCAL NOTE

HB 2808 - SB 3036

March 10, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides a new definition for "Public Highway" that designates any public road, street, highway, bridge, or similar structure designated by the Department of Transportation as being in the state system of highways or interstate highways. Currently the definition includes these structures plus "any road or street that is owned maintained, or owned and maintained by a county or municipality, including the right-of-way for such highway, road, or street".

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - \$1,000,000 Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - \$1,000,000

For informational purposes, the amount spent by the state on utility relocation on roads or bridges that would be excluded by this bill is quite variable. In some fiscal years, the decrease in state expenditures and increase in local government expenditures that would occur in conjunction with the provisions of this bill may be as high as \$3,000,000 and some years there may be no expenditures by the state for this type of project. Without knowing the specifics of the projects that would be undertaken in FY04-05, it is not possible to provide a specific, quantifiable estimate. According to the Department of Transportation, the year to year cost is variable, but the average annual expenditure by the state that would be transferred to local governments is \$1,000,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director